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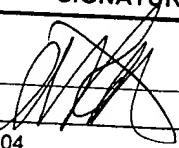
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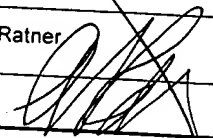
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The Examiner requires that claims of either Group I (claims 1 to 13) or Group II (claims 14 to 16) be elected for prosecution. Applicants elect to prosecute **Group I - Claims 1 to 13**, drawn to a method and apparatus for converting an expression, wherein key words are selected from an input sentence, key word [class] combinations are compared to previously identified key word combinations, and sentences that have a high degree of similarity are selected, classified in class 707, subclass 3. This election is made without traverse.

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